

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Mining Lease for Quartz over an extent of 4.00 acres in Sy. No.548 of Guruvajilpeta (V), Kanigiri (M), Prakasam District held by M/s Vengamaba Minerals – Declared as lapsed under rule 28 (1) of M.C Rules, 1960 - Orders – Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 132.

Dated: 17 .11.2014

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.226, Ind. & Com. (M-II) Dept., dt.21.07.1999.
2. From the Director of Mines & Geology's file bearing No.15220/R3-1/2013,dt:07.07.2013.
3. Govt. Memo No.10093/M.I(1)/2013, Ind. & Com. Dept., Dt:29.07.2013.

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O R D E R :

In the reference first read above, Government have granted a Mining Lease for Quartz, over an extent of 4.00 acres in Sy. No.548 of Guruvajilpeta (V), Kanigiri Mandal, Prakasam District, in favour of M/s Vengamaba Minerals, for a period of (20) years and the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Prakasam has executed the lease on 13.08.1999.

2. In the reference second read above, the Director of Mines & Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has submitted proposal for lapsing the lease held by M/s Vengamaba Minerals, under Rule 28(1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, on the following grounds, for consideration of the Government:

- i. The lessee is not conducting any mining operations as well as not obtaining the dispatch permits from 01.01.2001 onwards and simply kept idle, hence it attracts rule 28 (1) of MC Rules,1960.
- ii. The lessee has failed to submit the monthly returns in Form F-7 and annual returns in Form H-7, which is a breach under rule 45 (1) (a) (ix) of MCDR, 1988.
- iii. As per MRA finalized upto 31.03.2012, the lessee having the arrears of Rs.1619/- towards dead rent and Rs.4/-towards arrears dead rent, which is a breach as per rule 27 (1) (c) (d) of MC Rules, 1960.
- iv. The lessee has failed to furnish the EC from MoEF and CFO from APPCB.

3. Government after considering the report of the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad, it was proposed to lapse the above mining lease held by M/s Vengamaba Minerals and accordingly, a show cause notice was issued in the reference 3rd read above, under Rule 28 (1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, as to why the Mining Lease held by them shall not be declared as lapsed, and submit their explanation/ representation within 15 days, failing which it will be construed that they have no explanation/ representation, on the action proposed and further action will be taken on the material available with the Government.

4. It should be noted in this regard that mineral wealth is the wealth of the nation and should be put to use for public good. Government gave mining lease so that the lessee could do mining scientifically within the prescribed time limits and use the mined mineral. Such a mine would generate revenue for the State by way of taxes, employment for the local people and give boost to the overall economy of the region besides industrializing the area. None of these objectives could be achieved due to the abject failure of the lessee.

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5. Government after careful consideration of the matter have decided to declare the Mining Lease held by M/s Vengamaba Minerals Quartz over an extent of 4.00 acres in Sy. No.548 of Guruvajilpeta (V), Kanigiri (M), Prakasam District, as lapsed under Rule 28(1) of M.C Rules, 1960, as the lessee has failed to fulfill the lease conditions.

6. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

J.S.V. PRASAD
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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The Director of Mines & Geology, Govt. A.P., Hyderabad.(with connected file).

Copy to:

The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology, Ongole.
The Deputy Director of Mines & Geology, Guntur.
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Markapur, Prakasam District .
The District Collector, Prakasam District.
The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi-110001.
The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bavan, Civil Lines,Nagpur-440001.
The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkand.
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.
SF/SCs.(C.No.10090/M.II(2)/2013)

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